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TO: Members of the MAG Telecommunications Advisory Group

FROM: Jim Hull, Mesa, Chairman

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Thursday, March 22, 2001, 10:00 a.m. MAG Office, Suite 200, Saguaro Room 302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG Telecommunications Advisory Group (TAG) will be held at the time and place noted above. Members of the Telecommunications Advisory Group may attend **either in person or by telephone conference call**. Those attending by telephone conference call are requested to call 602-261-7510 between 9:55 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. After prompting please enter the meeting ID number 624824 (MAGTAG) on your telephone key pad) followed by the pound key. If you have a problem or require assistance, dial 0 after calling the number above.

If you are attending in person please park in the garage under the Compass Bank Building. Bring your ticket to the meeting, parking will be validated. For those using transit, the Regional Public Transportation Authority will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycle in the bike rack in the garage.

Please be advised that under procedures approved by the MAG Regional Council on June 26, 1996, all MAG committees need to have a quorum in order to conduct business. A quorum is a simple majority of the membership, or 9 people for the MAGTAG. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please make arrangements for a proxy from your jurisdiction to represent you.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Heidi Pahl at (602) 254-6300.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

ADVISORY GROUP ACTION REQUESTED

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. <u>Approval of January 25, 2001 Meeting</u>
 Minutes
- 2. Review and approve meeting minutes.

3. <u>MAG Regional Videoconferencing System</u> (RVS) Update

The MAG Regional Videoconferencing System (RVS) will implement videoconferencing technology to facilitate communication among MAG and its member agencies and reduce travel by eliminating the need to travel to as many meetings. A project update will be provided.

4. <u>Regional Connections</u>

Regional Connections will further e-mail and Internet connectivity as well as create a basic web presence for those member agencies who are not yet using these technologies. An update on the project implementation will be provided.

5. <u>Government Information Technology</u> <u>Agency (GITA) Update</u>

Government Information Technology Agency (GITA) Telecommunications Development Manager, Brad Tritle, will provide an update on community assessments using the Computer Systems Policy Project (CSPP) guide, the ADOT fiber in the Interstate Rights-of-Way RFP, Arizona Telecommunications Directory, and Telecommunications Open Partnerships for Arizona (TOPAZ) using the new State contract for carrier services -- AD000170. See Attachment, the Computer Systems Policy Project (CSPP) Readiness Guide for Living in the Networked World.

6. Breakout Groups

MAGTAG has traditionally formed breakout groups to gather information and make presentations on areas of special interest. In order to achieve the goals and 3. For information and discussion.

4. For information and discussion.

5. For information and discussion.

6. For information, discussion and possible action.

objectives of the MAGTAG, we need to consider forming special interest groups to accomplish certain tasks. MAGTAG members discussed holding a Videoconferencing Forum II to discuss marketing initiatives and an E-Government Forum. Certain breakout groups will need to be formed in order to successfully hold these forums. MAGTAG members will be asked to contribute their ideas on breakout groups and volunteer for their group of interest.

7. Announcements and Public Input

An opportunity will be provided to Committee members and members of the public to address the MAGTAG.

8. Date of Next Meetings

The next meeting of the MAGTAG is scheduled for April 26, 2001 from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The remainder of meetings for 2001 are as follows:

May 24, 2001 June 28, 2001 July 26, 2001, August 23, 2001 September 13, 2001 October 25, 2001 November 29, 2001 December 27, 2001 7. For information.

8. For information.